Statement

Details of beneficiaries of different I CDS services in Orissa in the last 3 years

Item	Position as on 31-3-87	31-3-88	31-3-89
(1) SUPPLEMENTARY NUTRITION			
(a) No. of reporting projects	49	66	71
(b) *No. of beneficiaries*:			
(i) Children 0 6 years	343490	551700	621660
(ii) Pregnant women and nursing mothers	63100	95120	104430
(iii) Total	406590	646820	726090
(2) PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION			
(a) No. of reporting projects	49	66	71
(b) No. of children 3–6 years, receiving the service	127390	172380	176100
(3) IMMUNISATION SINCE 1ST APRIL (in each year)			
(a) No. of reporting primary health centres	41	64	75
(b) *Number immunised against* :			
(i) DPT	49931	40685	80557
(ii) DT	42688	12083	13427
(iii) BCG	46027	36590	82012
(iv) Polio	48147	38074	78804
(v) Measles	—	21796	49218
(vi) TT (Pregnant women)	34331	29112	6795

Difficulties faced by Foreign Tourists to get confirmation of their bookings on Airlines

898. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the foreign tourists are often facing lot of difficulties to get confirmation of their bookings on airlines for tourist spots in the country; and

(b) if so, what remedial steps are being taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) and (b) No specific instance has come to the notice of the Government. Indian Airlines have initiated several measures at facilitating foreign tourists in obtaining confirmed reservations for their travel on flights to tourist spots within the country. These include automatic confirmation of tourist group scheme under which Indian Airlines guarantees that every tourist group booking consisting of ten or more passengers on popular tourist and trunk flights in the country will receive confirmed bookings provided the reservation request is made 120 days before the date of departure. Reservation of 25 per cent of capacity on all domestic services barring those

operating in the North Eastern Region as a special quota only for use by foreign tourists paying in foreign exchange. Indian Airlines expect to increase its aircraft capacity by the acquisition of the A320 fleet in a phased manner from July 1989 and this increased capacity would create additional seats for tourists visiting the country.

Four Laning of National Highway No. 1

899. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the length of the Sher Shah Suri Marg (National Highway No. 1) where the four laning was completed during each of the last three years; and

(z) what is the length likely to be covered by the Scheme during the next two years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a)

Year	Length completed by 4-laning (Kms.)
1986-87	2.0
1987-88	8.35
1988-89	Nil

(b) 91 Kms. of 4-laning are likely to be completed by March, 1991.

News item Captioned "No bright future for Civil Aviation"

900. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news item captioned "No bright fuaure for Civil Aviation" which appeared in the 'Times of India, Bombay, dated the 14th May, 1989;

(b) if so, whether Government agree with the views expressed by Prof. P. N. Srivastava, Member Planning Commission, regarding the poor state of affairs of India's Civil Aviation; and

(c) if the answer to part (b) above be in the affirmative what steps Government propose to take to create bright future for Civil Aviation in the Country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) to (c) The report quoted by Prof. P. N. Srivastava, Member, Planning Commission is out of context.

Railways Owned by Private Companies

901. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are any routes or Railways in the country which are owned by Private Companies and leased to Indian Railways;

(b) if so, what are the details including (i) name of the companies (ii) commencement of lease and (iii) reasons of lease;

(c) whether it is a fact that Government proposes to nationalise these routes; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof and if not, what are the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The three Company-owned Railway lines are:—